

*Please provide the following information, and submit to the NOAA DM Plan Repository.*

**Reference to Master DM Plan (if applicable)**

*As stated in Section IV, Requirement 1.3, DM Plans may be hierarchical. If this DM Plan inherits provisions from a higher-level DM Plan already submitted to the Repository, then this more-specific Plan only needs to provide information that differs from what was provided in the Master DM Plan.*

URL of higher-level DM Plan (if any) as submitted to DM Plan Repository:

**1. General Description of Data to be Managed****1.1. Name of the Data, data collection Project, or data-producing Program:**

Northeast Cooperative Research Study Fleet (SF) Program Biological Sampling Data

**1.2. Summary description of the data:**

Northeast Cooperative Research Study Fleet (SF) Program partners with a subset of commercial fishermen to collect high quality, high resolution, haul by haul self-reported fishing data. SF staff routinely sails with program participants in order to collect independent catch weight measurements to compare to the Captains' kept and discard records for verification. The SF Program creates a unique opportunity for the collection of biological data as well as biological samples both by vessel operators and by SF staff. Participant vessels are able to provide biological data and fish to the NEFSC for use in research relevant to species stock assessments and a better understanding of fish biology. Commercial fishermen have the ability to provide samples during periods of time when traditional sample sources are unavailable (i.e., periods when NEFSC bottom trawl surveys are not operating, periods of species closures, specific needs with respect to species presence at certain times of the year and/or in specific locations, etc.) and they can also provide additional information with regards to their encountered catch (i.e., length frequencies, sex ratios, etc.).

**1.3. Is this a one-time data collection, or an ongoing series of measurements?**

Ongoing series of measurements

**1.4. Actual or planned temporal coverage of the data:**

2007-03-24 to Present

**1.5. Actual or planned geographic coverage of the data:**

W: -75.201667, E: -67.983333, N: 44.005, S: 35.554722

**1.6. Type(s) of data:**

*(e.g., digital numeric data, imagery, photographs, video, audio, database, tabular data, etc.)*  
Table (digital)

**1.7. Data collection method(s):**

*(e.g., satellite, airplane, unmanned aerial system, radar, weather station, moored buoy,*

*research vessel, autonomous underwater vehicle, animal tagging, manual surveys, enforcement activities, numerical model, etc.)*

Instrument: Various Fishing Vessel GPS Units, Aqualogger 530 Temperature Depth probes, Star-Oddi DST Centi Temperature Depth Probes, Vemco Temperature Depth Probes, Dell laptops with various models and operating systems running Northeast Fisheries Science Center Fisheries Logbook Data Recording Software (FLDRS), various spring and dial scales for measuring fish weight.

Platform: Fishing gear, Fishing vessel

Physical Collection / Fishing Gear: Otter trawl door, scallop dredge, gillnet, longline

**1.8. If data are from a NOAA Observing System of Record, indicate name of system:**

**1.8.1. If data are from another observing system, please specify:**

**2. Point of Contact for this Data Management Plan (author or maintainer)**

**2.1. Name:**

Katie A Burchard

**2.2. Title:**

Metadata Contact

**2.3. Affiliation or facility:**

**2.4. E-mail address:**

katie.burchard@noaa.gov

**2.5. Phone number:**

401-782-3251

**3. Responsible Party for Data Management**

*Program Managers, or their designee, shall be responsible for assuring the proper management of the data produced by their Program. Please indicate the responsible party below.*

**3.1. Name:**

Michael D Morin

**3.2. Title:**

Data Steward

**4. Resources**

*Programs must identify resources within their own budget for managing the data they produce.*

**4.1. Have resources for management of these data been identified?**

Yes

**4.2. Approximate percentage of the budget for these data devoted to data management (**

**specify percentage or "unknown"):**

Unknown

## **5. Data Lineage and Quality**

*NOAA has issued Information Quality Guidelines for ensuring and maximizing the quality, objectivity, utility, and integrity of information which it disseminates.*

### **5.1. Processing workflow of the data from collection or acquisition to making it publicly accessible**

*(describe or provide URL of description):*

Lineage Statement:

Dell laptops with various models and operating systems running Northeast Fisheries Science Center Fisheries Logbook Data Recording Software (FLDRS). FVTR VERS tables.

**5.1.1. If data at different stages of the workflow, or products derived from these data, are subject to a separate data management plan, provide reference to other plan:**

### **5.2. Quality control procedures employed (describe or provide URL of description):**

Post-trip analytical adjustments can be made to correct for any bias relative to the Captains' reported landing weight from dealer reports. In order to conduct analyses on the discard estimates customary information on the precision and bias of the Captains' estimated weights is needed. Study Fleet staff routinely sails with program participants in order to collect independent catch weight measurements to compare to the Captains' kept and discard records for verification.

## **6. Data Documentation**

*The EDMC Data Documentation Procedural Directive requires that NOAA data be well documented, specifies the use of ISO 19115 and related standards for documentation of new data, and provides links to resources and tools for metadata creation and validation.*

### **6.1. Does metadata comply with EDMC Data Documentation directive?**

Yes

**6.1.1. If metadata are non-existent or non-compliant, please explain:**

### **6.2. Name of organization or facility providing metadata hosting:**

NMFS Office of Science and Technology

**6.2.1. If service is needed for metadata hosting, please indicate:**

### **6.3. URL of metadata folder or data catalog, if known:**

<https://www.fisheries.noaa.gov/inport/item/27317>

### **6.4. Process for producing and maintaining metadata**

*(describe or provide URL of description):*

Metadata produced and maintained in accordance with the NOAA Data Documentation Procedural Directive: [https://nosc.noaa.gov/EDMC/DAARWG/docs/EDMC\\_PD-Data\\_Documentation\\_v1.pdf](https://nosc.noaa.gov/EDMC/DAARWG/docs/EDMC_PD-Data_Documentation_v1.pdf)

## 7. Data Access

*NAO 212-15 states that access to environmental data may only be restricted when distribution is explicitly limited by law, regulation, policy (such as those applicable to personally identifiable information or protected critical infrastructure information or proprietary trade information) or by security requirements. The EDMC Data Access Procedural Directive contains specific guidance, recommends the use of open-standard, interoperable, non-proprietary web services, provides information about resources and tools to enable data access, and includes a Waiver to be submitted to justify any approach other than full, unrestricted public access.*

### 7.1. Do these data comply with the Data Access directive?

Yes

**7.1.1. If the data are not to be made available to the public at all, or with limitations, has a Waiver (Appendix A of Data Access directive) been filed?**

**7.1.2. If there are limitations to public data access, describe how data are protected from unauthorized access or disclosure:**

### 7.2. Name of organization of facility providing data access:

Northeast Fisheries Science Center (NEFSC)

**7.2.1. If data hosting service is needed, please indicate:**

**7.2.2. URL of data access service, if known:**

### 7.3. Data access methods or services offered:

Formal data request form is filled out and sent to Point of Contact, reviewed with Cooperative Research Program Branch Chief for approval. If approved, data request form is signed, returned and archived.

### 7.4. Approximate delay between data collection and dissemination:

1-3 months

**7.4.1. If delay is longer than latency of automated processing, indicate under what authority data access is delayed:**

Not applicable

## 8. Data Preservation and Protection

*The NOAA Procedure for Scientific Records Appraisal and Archive Approval describes how to*

*identify, appraise and decide what scientific records are to be preserved in a NOAA archive.*

**8.1. Actual or planned long-term data archive location:**

*(Specify NCEI-MD, NCEI-CO, NCEI-NC, NCEI-MS, World Data Center (WDC) facility, Other, To Be Determined, Unable to Archive, or No Archiving Intended)*

Other

**8.1.1. If World Data Center or Other, specify:**

NARA

**8.1.2. If To Be Determined, Unable to Archive or No Archiving Intended, explain:**

**8.2. Data storage facility prior to being sent to an archive facility (if any):**

NEFSC Woods Hole Lab - Woods Hole, MA

**8.3. Approximate delay between data collection and submission to an archive facility:**

Unknown

**8.4. How will the data be protected from accidental or malicious modification or deletion prior to receipt by the archive?**

*Discuss data back-up, disaster recovery/contingency planning, and off-site data storage relevant to the data collection*

NEFSC DMS protection plan (Scheduled backups and remote storage backups)

**9. Additional Line Office or Staff Office Questions**

*Line and Staff Offices may extend this template by inserting additional questions in this section.*